

REMARKSAmendments

Claim 27 has been amended. No additional claims have been added. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added and entry into the record and examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3-35 remain in the application.

At last examination, claims 1, 3-26, 31-35 were allowed. Claims 27-30 stand rejected.

Claim 27. As to claim 27, the Examiner has written " ... *claim 27 has been rejected based on the same basis as the originally filed method claim 1 which had substantially all the claimed limitations. A method claim is obvious in view of an apparatus claim and vice versa if they each contain substantially the same elements. ...*".

Claim 27 has now been amended to incorporate substantially the same limitations as Amended Claim 1 (Previously Presented) which was deemed allowable at last examination. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that claim 27, as amended, is now allowable for the same reasons as claim 1 and that the rejection of claim 27 under be withdrawn.

Claims 28-30. As to claims 28-30, it is respectfully submitted that claims 28-30 are dependent, directly or indirectly, upon claim 27 therefore it is respectfully submitted that claims 28-30 are now allowable for the same reasons as claim 27.

SUMMARY

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 3-35 remain in the application. Claim 27 has been amended. No Claims have been added.

It is respectfully submitted that all rejections have been overcome and that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of pending claims 1, 3-35 is respectfully requested.

Invitation for a telephone interview

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at 408-720-8300 if there remains any issue with allowance of this case.


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Respectfully submitted,

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